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THE CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS INSTITUTE: GREATER LEHIGH VALLEY CHAPTER NEWSLETTER PUNCHLIST



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Jon Lattin

As we close in on the end of 2019, what are you thankful for? As the current president of your chapter, I have a lot to be thankful for, both personally and professionally. A healthy and loving family and a strong industry have provided stability and joy in my life. My association with CSI has blessed me in other ways.

• I am grateful for family gatherings with my extended CSI family. From our first annual kickball game and pumpkin carving parties with the AIA to MARC 2019 and Construct with our region and institute friends. I am proud to say the fellowship gained in CSI extends beyond the monthly meetings and has flourished into long lasting friendships.

• I am thankful for *youthfulness*. An influx of younger people into CSI provides diverse views and energy that help propel the Greater Lehigh

Valley chapter into the future. Reach out to the newer generation of designers, architects, engineers, product reps, and contractors that you interface with daily and invite them to lunch or to a chapter meeting. Introduce them to the importance of face-to-face networking and developing trusted advisors. You will benefit from the enlightened interaction and they will benefit from your wisdom and experience.

• I am thankful for volunteers. Day in and day out, volunteers are the lifeblood of any organization and the Greater Lehigh Valley is blessed with some of the best around. Through steadfast dedication and a personal commitment to the chapter, these volunteers plan event logistics, develop and manage education, maintain communications, interface with the region and institute, and quietly ensure the chapter continues to flourish and grow. However, volunteers get tired and need help. It takes a village to raise a family and it takes a village to maintain a healthy chapter. Now is the time to act, if you can devote an hour or twenty, we have tasks for you!

• I am appreciative of the education that I have acquired in CSI. CSI is working hard to elevate the value of the CDT and advanced certifications to make them as valuable and recognizable as the AIA or PE designation. Unlike all of the other organizations, CSI pulls members from the entire AEC community into one room and this broad membership continues to provide invaluable opportunities for education and professional growth that can't be found elsewhere. YL.

• I am thankful for the charity that our chapter provides. Through Canstruction, our local industry continues to donate tens of thousands of pounds of food yearly to those in need. Through our educational outreach, we are introducing our youth to the industry at large through programs like Let's Build and participation in our yearly product Expo. Financially, we support college students with educational scholarships.

My cup runneth over with thanks for all that we as an organization were able to achieve this past year. I am a member of a national car club and they often say "It's not about the cars, it's about the people." I believe that sentiment applies to CSI as well. Although many of us joined CSI purely for professional reasons, I honestly believe it's the people that keep us active and make us want to stay. As you enjoy your holidays with family and friends, take a minute to reflect on your past year and make plans to get involved in 2020. I promise you that the benefit to both you and the chapter will have you counting your blessings too.

Respectfully, Jon Lattin





EXPO

CSI + AIA KICKBALL



APRIL 29, 2019 Fogelsville, PA

JULY 17, 2019 Upper Saucon Community Park

MARC 2019







MAY 2-4, 2019 Center Valley, PA











LET'S BUILD CAMP









JULY 8-12, 2019 Bethlehem, PA



Scan this QR Code for a video recap of 2019's week long camp!











SEPTEMBER MEETING



SEPTEMBER 18, 2019 Revolution Recovery + Hijinx Brewing







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OCTOBER 22, 2019 Lost Tavern Brewing, Hellertown, PA



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NOVEMBER MEETING





To All Of Our 2019 Winners



OCTOBER 9-11 National Harbor, MD











NOVEMBER 20, 2019 Madeline's, Fogelsville, PA

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CSI ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

Wednesday, December 11 5:30 - 9:00 PM



Join CSI GLV to Celebrate the Holidays!

The Greater Lehigh Valley Chapter of CSI is celebrating 2019 at the House and Barn Restaurant in Emmaus.

Join us for great food and joyful networking.

Be sure to register online!

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 15, 2020

Structural Failures and Water Infiltration: Investigating the Built Environment (Joint CSI-AIA Event)

CSI. Crime Scene Investigators. Splashy graphics, cutting edge
computer enhancements, mass spectrometers. So what does this have to with the built environment and the REAL CSI?

Our presenter Greg Marks, the Forensic Engineering Department Head at Barry Isett & Associates will share his years of experience and provide insight into how failures happen.

FEBRUARY 12, 2020 Axe-Throwing at Skeggy's in Easton (Joint CSI-AIA Event)

It's the newest trend: get together with a group of friends, network with other professionals from around the area, and sharpen (pun definitely intended) your axe-throwing abilities.

Be sure to invite others from your office for this joint event
with our local AIA Chapter because it's going to be a night you won't want to miss!

APRIL 15, 2020 42nd Annual Expo

The CSI EXPO is the premier construction product exposition and seminar in the Lehigh Valley. Architects, engineers, designers, specifiers, contractors, and building owners can see over 60 product manufacturers and installers offering the latest in building technology at one convenient location.

In addition, we offer four quality technical seminars covering the trending topics pertinent to your profession, a hot lunch buffet, networking and a wine, drinks & appetizers bar, and tons of door prizes.

The cost for all of this: FREE



With the holiday season right around the corner, be sure to check out the new CSI online store! Pick up this year's hottest gifts for all your favorite board members!

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2020 MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGION CONFERENCE



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